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Annual Hunting Accident Report 2009

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The International Hunter Education Association Definition of Hunting Accident: an event which is attributed directly or indirectly to firearm or archery hunting and causes Injury or death to any person(s) as a result of a person's action while legally hunting.

NON- FATAL								
VICTIM'S AGE & SEX	HUNTER EDUCATION TRAINED	FIREARM USED	SHOOTER'S AGE & SEX	HUNTER EDUCATION TRAINED	GAME HUNTED			
38 year-old Male	Yes	Shotgun	13 year-old female	Yes	Doves			

Remarks: The victim was hunting doves with his daughter. As they watched birds approaching the victim knelt down in

front of the shooter. Just as the shooter fired at the doves, the victim stood up in front of her. The victim was

hit at close range across the top of his head, knocking him to the ground.

Possible Cause: Victim in line of fire

Location of Accident: Weber County

15 year-old	Yes	.50 Cal	Self-Inflicted	Deer	
Male			Muzzleloader		

Remarks: The victim was hunting deer with other family members during the muzzleloader season. The victim had been

sitting on a log watching for deer. As he was standing up the firearm discharged striking the victim in the

abdomen.

Possible Cause: Careless handling of firearm- Muzzle control

Trigger caught on object- possible

Location of Accident: Daggett County